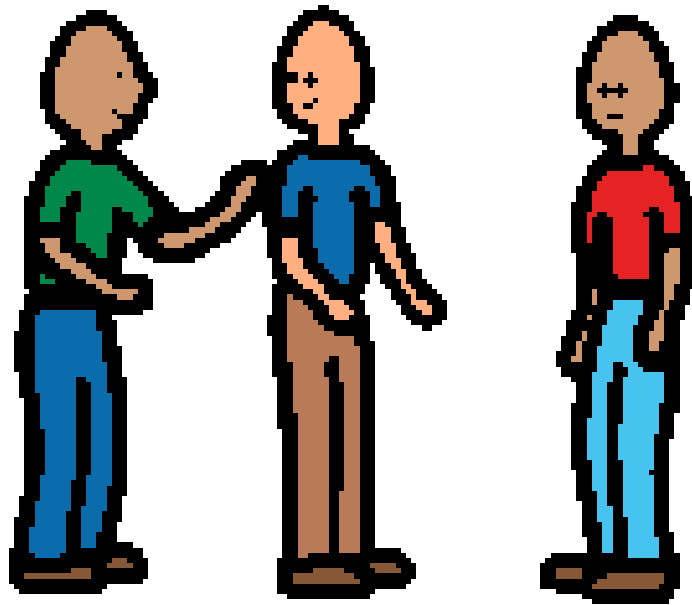
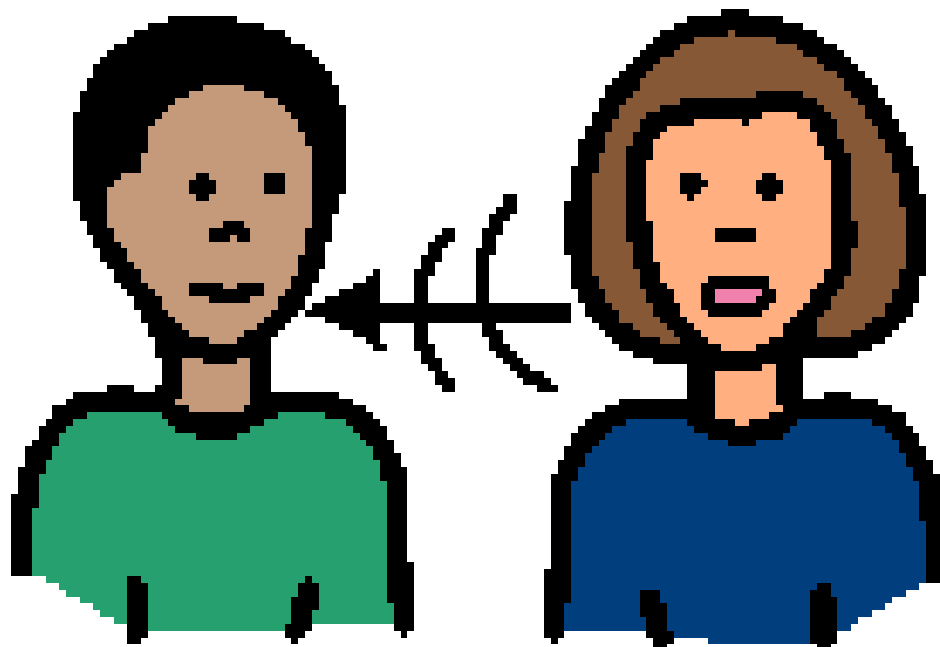


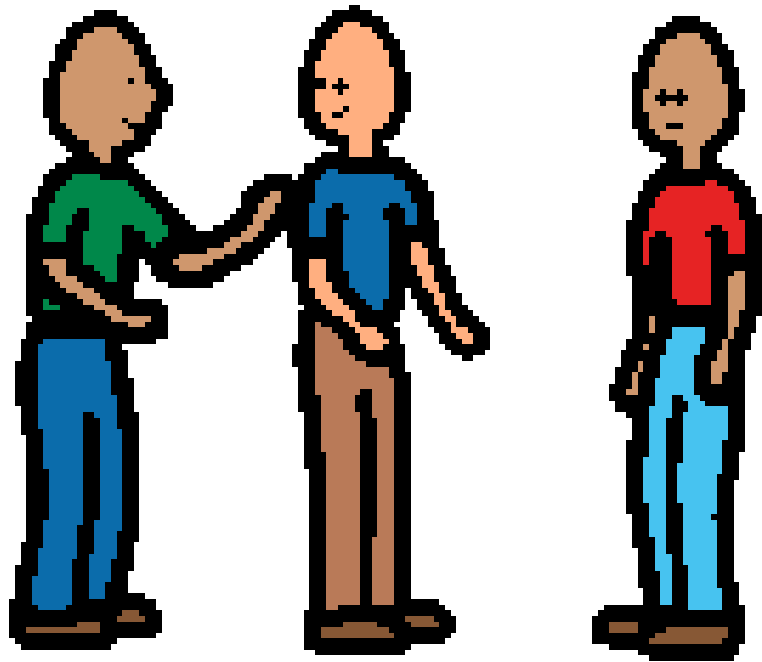
Getting a person's attention



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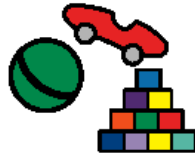
I can use my words to talk with other people. There are a lot of times that I have something to say or questions I want to ask. Sometimes I just start talking and think a person can hear me. But then they don't talk back to me. That is because I didn't get their attention.



I need to get the person's attention before I talk to them.

There are a lot of times I can gain a person's attention. I can get a person's attention

toys



when I ask for a toy

Do you want to play?



or when I ask a friend to play,

Can I play?



or when I ask to join a game,



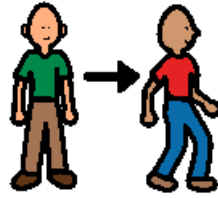
or to ask a question,

can you help me



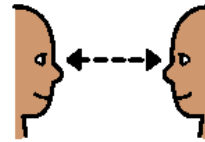
or to ask for help.

When I need to get a person's attention I can...



1) walk up to the person

eye contact



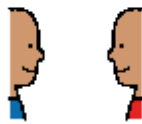
2) look at their eyes with my eyes



3) lightly touch the person on their arm

4) say excuse me or say their name

face person



5) face the person

talk



6) talk to the person



I feel happy when I get a person's attention and they know I am talking to them. My friends like it when I get their attention to talk with them.